Meetings of Registration Committee of CIB

3136. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state the number of meetings of the Registration Committee of C.I.B. held from the 1st August, 1987 to date and decision taken thereat, meeting-wise for the grant of registration under section 9(3) and 9(3B) of the Insecticides Act and quantum of Import allowed to each of the registrants during this period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): 7 (during the period 1-8-87 to 19-8-88).

The number of registrations granted and cases rejected under Section 9(3) and 9(3B) meeting-wise, is as follows:

Date of Meeting	No. of requests for registration	
	Granted	Rejected
28-8-87 . . .	5	6
6-11-87 . . .	6	6
19-1-88 . . .	5	..
12-2-88 . . .	5	..
11-4-88 . . .	..	..
6-6-88 . . .	1	3
5-7-88 . . .	3	..

Details of quantum of import allowed in these meetings registrant-wise is given in Annexure. [See Appendix CXLVII, Annexure No. 121].

Gas based Fertilizer Plants in Gulf Countries

3137. SHRI N. E. BALARAM: Will he Minister of AGRICULTURE be leased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up gas based fertilizer plants in Gulf countries in collaboration with multinationals; and

(b) if so, the details of the latest position in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI R. PRABHU): (a) and (b) M/s. Snamprogetti, a company incorporated in Italy, sent in December 1986, a prefeasibility study for the setting up of a gas based fertiliser project at an estimated cost of US $ 309 million, in Bahrain and certain other Gulf countries in association with an Indian pubilc sector fertilizer company. M/s. Snamprogetti were asked to prepare a detailed feasibility report without which it is not possible to decide the extent of Indian participation in the proposed joint venture, time schedule for its implementation and the benefits likely to accrue therefrom.

Undue favour to Bokaro Steel Contractor

3138. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:
SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA:

Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news item published in "Business Telegraph" dated the 3rd June, 1988 under the caption "Undue favour to Bokaro Steel Plant Contractor"; and

(b) if so, details thereof, and what action Government contemplates to stop fraud being played in Bokaro Steel Plant by this contractor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STEEL IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) and (b) A contract for recovery, removal and purchase of 11,000 tonnes per month of iron scrap, steel skull and